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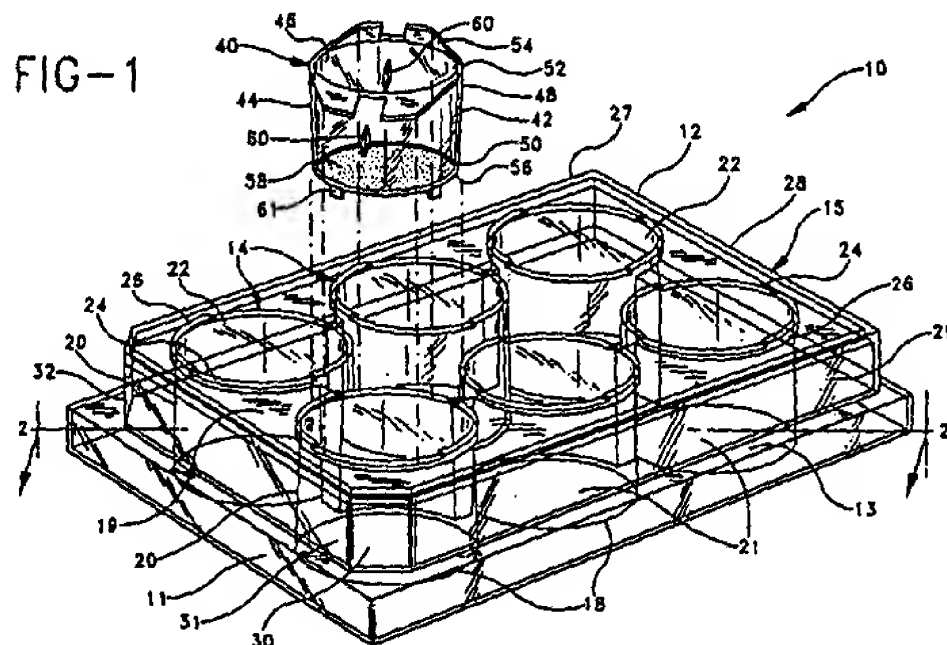
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(54) Culture vessel.

(57) Apparatus for growing cells or tissue *in vitro* and for supporting, positioning and/or centering cell culture inserts that are used in such procedures. The apparatus comprises a body with a plurality of wells

wherein a cell culture insert may be supported and centered without interfering with the growing of tissue culture *in vitro*.



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